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SUBJECT: INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING, COST-SHARING PERIOD 1975-1979

REFS A. STATE 123101, 22 JUNE 73

B. USNATO 3091, 3340, 3575, 4185, AND 4631

BEGIN SUMMARY. THIS SUBJECT CONSIDERED IN INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE 16 OCT 73. COMMITTEE AGREED SLICE XXV SHOULD BE PART OF PRESENT SLICE GROUP (XXI - XXV). FOR NEXT SLICE GROUP XXVI - XXX, CEILINGS PROPOSED RANGED FROM IAU 250 MILLION PLUS AN EDIP (NO AMOUNT SPECIFIED) TO IAU 600 MILLION WITHOUT AN EDIP, MOST COUNTRIES EXPRESSING PREFERENCE FOR NO CHANGES IN PRESENT COST SHARING FORMULA. END SUMMARY.

1. PARA 4 OF REF A REQUIRES REPORT AFTER EACH MEETING WHERE THIS SUBJECT IS CONSIDERED. COMMITTEE'S CONCLUSIONS OF DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT ON 16 OCT 73 ARE REFLECTED IN AC/4-DS/912 AND MAY SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

A. MOST COUNTRIES, IN EXPRESSING CEILING AMOUNTS THEY MIGHT ACCEPT, CONCOMITANTLY EXPRESSED DESIRE NOT TO CHANGE THE PRESENT CONFIDENTIAL

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COST SHARING FORMULA. IT APPEARS THAT THE EASIEST WAY TO GET DOWN TO 20 PCT FOR US SHARE IS THROUGH A COMBINATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND EDIP.

B. SIZE OF SLICE GROUP XXVI - XXX PROPOSED BY REPRESENTATIVES VARIED FROM IAU 300 MILLION TO IAU 600 MILLION WITHOUT AN EDIP. SOME COUNTRIES FAVORED AN EDIP OF SOME SIZE (NOT YET DETERMINED) IN ADDITION TO AN INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM. EXCEPT FOR BELGIUM'S UNHELPFUL POSITION SUPPORTING A MAXIMUM OF IAU 300 MILLION FOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND NOT FAVORABLE TO AN EDIP, MOST OTHER COUNTRIES APPEAR TO BE THINKING IN A RANGE AROUND IAU 500 MILLION INCLUDING AN EDIP, IF NECESSARY, TO REACH THAT LEVEL. WE WOULD HOPE TO GET THIS CLOSER TO IAU 600 MILLION CONSISTENT WITH AMOUNT FOR MNCS PRIORITY A PROJECTS REFLECTED IN MC 32/53 OF 2 AUG 73. HOWEVER, THE CONTENTS OF THE PROGRAM WILL DEPEND UPON THE OPTIONS CHOSEN IN THE BURDEN SHARING EXERCISE. SIZE OF THE NEXT FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM PROPOSED BY COUNTRIES' REPRESENTATIVES VARIED AS FOLLOWS: (IN IAU MILLIONS)

	INFRASTRUCTURE	EDIP (ADDITIONAL)
BELGIUM	300	NO
CANADA	UP TO 500	IMMATERIAL
DENMARK	300 OR MORE	NO OBJECTION
GERMANY	UP TO 500	NO
GREECE	AT LEAST 583 (MNC PRIORITY A) IMMATERIAL	
ITALY	300 - 350	NO INDICATION
NETHERLANDS	250	YES
NORWAY	NO INDICATION	YES
PORTUGAL	300	IMMATERIAL
TURKEY	AT LEAST 583 (MNC PRIORITY A) IMMATERIAL	
UNITED KINGDOM	NO INDICATION	NO INDICATION
UNITED STATES	UP TO 600	IMMATERIAL

C. AS CONCERNS EDIP, A GERMAN SPOKESMAN FOR THE EURO-GROUP STATED THAT THEY ARE RECONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITIES OF ANOTHER EDIP. WORKING GROUP WAS AWAITING OUTCOME OF BURDEN SHARING DISCUSSIONS.

2. IN THE 16 OCT 73 MEETING, THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE  
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AGREED THAT SLICE XXV SHOULD BE PART OF THE PRESENT SLICE GROUP XXI - XXV. AMOUNTS PROPOSED BY REPRESENTATIVES VARIED FROM IAU 50 TO 60 MILLION.

3. US POSITION AT NEXT MEETING WILL CONTINUE CONSISTENT WITH REF A.  
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